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BENKERT'S WEST GERMAN PATENT APPLICATION P 25 31 285
- ELECTRICAL PERFORATION OF TIPPING PAPER -

During my recent visit to Richmond the prior art was reviewed and it was decided by the Foreign Patent Committee to oppose the above-mentioned application. Instructions to do so were sent to Dr. Hach with the prior art.

NEW APPLICATIONS

The following applications have been filed this month for the under-mentioned West German priorities:

P 31 01 768 Apparatus for extracting soluble constituents from cut plant material.

This case is a European Patent application designating Switzerland, the Netherlands, Belgium, Great Britain, France and Italy.

P 31 05 454 Smoking articles with filters and apparatus for producing the same.

P 31 05 455 Apparatus for smoking channels in the periphery of filter elements.

P 31 05 456 Rod-like article with secondary air channels and apparatus for producing such an article.

These three cases were filed via the European Patent Office in Switzerland, the Netherlands, Belgium, Great Britain, France,

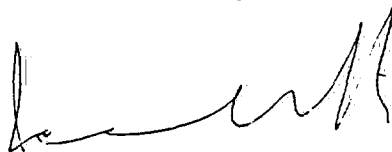
Italy and Sweden; a national application was filed in Finland.

Complete applications and filing documents were sent to the Patent Office in Richmond for filing US applications.

FORESEEN FILINGS

Details of the under-mentioned filings were given to Messrs. Bovard & Co., Patent Attorneys in Bern, for preparing European Applications to file in West Germany, Great Britain, Italy and Switzerland:

1. Automatic box filling and palettizing system.
2. Filter trays unloading system and massflow feeding to a cigarette maker.



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